Town of Georgetown, Indiana

Resolution # R-10-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN OPPOSING THE USE OF TOLLS ON THE OHIO RIVER BRIDGES

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Georgetown, Indiana (hereinafter this "Town Council"), is the legislative body of the Town of Georgetown, County of Floyd, State of Indiana (the "Town"); and

WHEREAS, the issues surrounding construction of bridges over the Ohio River constitute a real and direct impact on the economic and cultural well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, a proposed funding mechanism for the bridges project involves the imposition of tolls on new and existing Ohio River bridges is currently under consideration, and has received favorable and approving comments in some quarters; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio River should serve as a focus of promoting cohesion within the metropolitan area, not to act as a barrier to cohesion within the metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, it is not good policy to exact tolls on a daily basis from Southern Indiana residents whose livelihood depends on a job in Kentucky, or from Kentucky residents who livelihood depends on a job in Indiana. The interstate bridges serve regional and national interests, so funding should not be from local commuters; and

WHEREAS, a bridge connecting the interstate highway I-265 in Clark County, Indiana with I-265 in Jefferson County, Kentucky is a vital link in the economic development of Southern Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the imposition of tolls on existing bridges may threaten the bridge project which includes the vital link of the I-265 bridges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Town Council of the Town, by this resolution, state that it is opposed to tolls on existing bridges; and
- 2. The Town Council favors the "eastern bridge location," and this bridge would immediately mitigate congestion on the interstates in Clarksville, Jeffersonville, New Albany, and Louisville; and

3. The best course for the economic well-being of the region is a concentrated focus on completion of the I-265 connection between Clark County, Indiana and Jefferson County, Kentucky.

So RESOLVED by the Town Council this 18th day of October, 2010.

YEA	NAY
Billy Stewart, President	Billy Stewart, President
Aaron Streigel, Vice President	Aaron Streigel, Vice President
Mike Mils, Member	Mike Mills, Member
Karla Perkins, Member	Karla Perkins, Member
Everett Pullen, Member	Everett Pullen, Member

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